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REPORT To Our Readers - Owners

INTOLERANCE REVEALED

How strongly do we Americans believe in the liberties enshrined in the Bill of Rights which is part of our Constitution?

Norman Thomas recently called attention to some of the disturbing results of carefully conducted polls of opinion.

One such poll showed that only 58% of a national cross section of persons interviewed would allow an American citizen to make a speech favoring Government ownership of all the railroads and big industries in their communities.

Before the last war, says Thomas, a National Opinion Research Center poll found that 25% of the cross section would deny Socialists the right to publish newspapers in this country. By 1953 the percentage went up to 45% who would deny Socialists this right. Only 27% would give an admitted Communist the right to speak. And 60% thought that no person should be allowed to speak against churches and religion.

Those figures give concern to liberals who feel that the strongest bulwark of American freedoms is the exercise, continuously, of those freedoms. Practice makes perfect. If you don't practice freedom, you don't have it long.

BUSINESSMEN WORRIED

But if the liberals are worried about the results of polls on civil rights, so are the big business interests worried about the results of polls on young Americans' attitude toward business.

Lou Schneider in his column in the Tribune says that two separate but similar surveys

SHORT WORK WEEK NEXT: GET STORIES IN EARLY!

On account of the Independence Day holiday, next week will be a short work week, so correspondents for the unions are here reminded to get in their copy just as soon as possible.

Get it to our new address at 1622 East 12th Street without delay, so it can make sure of being published.

were made nationwide of thousands of high school seniors, one by the Opinion Research Co. of New Jersey, and the other by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

Business interests were shocked to learn that 61% of these youngsters said profit incentive isn't needed for the survival of America; 56% said the best way to get a higher standard of living is to get more out of the company income; 50% believed the Government should regulate the coal, steel, and oil industries; 76% believed most of the gains from new inventions go to the owners; and 60% said owners get too large a share of the profits of production.

SUMMING UP

Putting the polls cited by Thomas and those by Schneider together, one gets the impression that Americans aren't very keen on our traditional liberties, nor on our "private enterprise" system either. However, since the polls Thomas tells of were presumably the result of interviewing older people, and those Schneider tells of were made among high school seniors, possibly one could guess that the younger generation is more liberal than the older.

Our own opinion has long been that throughout American history relatively few Americans have believed strongly in civil rights; but that those who do are such fighters for them that we keep 'em going.

And as for 76% of the kids thinking that most of the gains from new inventions go to the owners, and 60% thinking the owners get too large a share of the profits of production, that may worry the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, but we'll lose no sleep over it.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

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Gains Made for BTC Craftsmen Employed by Alameda County

Wage gains were made for building trades craftsmen employed by Alameda county during prolonged negotiations last week, BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers reported at the Building Trades Council meeting this week.

But there are still some important points to be settled, said Childers, and a survey is to be made by the County Administrator in the matter.

Last year, Childers reminded the delegates, the Supervisors established one standard rate of pay for carpenters, painters, electricians, plumbers, stationary engineers, and cement masons. This wage is 12% less than prevailing rates, but certain fringe benefits set up in 1950 are supposed to equalize it.

At the time only one union, Engineers 39, gained by this standardized pay arrangement, said Childers, and now there is general dissatisfaction among the building craftsmen; they wish to return to the old system of having each man paid the scale of his own craft.

There are now 9 electricians and plumbers working for the county who are getting less than their own craft scale.

As the result of the prolonged negotiations with the Supervisors, the painters, carpenters, and stationary engineers will get \$19 a month increase, bringing their pay to \$442 per month, an increase of 12½ cents an hour.

One plumber was upped to \$477, but that is still below scale for his craft.

The County Administrator will make a survey, and report within a month on plumbing and electrical work now done by the county. If it is found that it would be more economical to do so, such work will thenceforth be farmed out to contractors hiring union craftsmen.

CAMBIANO DINNER

BTC Secretary John Davy read the announcement of a City of Hope dinner to be held at the Beverly Hills Hotel in Beverly Hills on September 1, honoring J. F. Cambiano. He has been for over 20 years head of the State Council of Carpenters, and has done much for the City of Hope hospital. Proceeds of the dinner will go to the hospital.

CONTRACTOR PIERRON
The Board of Business Agents reported that the citation of Contractor James L. Pierron has been held over for the July 12 meeting of the board.

DELEGATES SEATED

Edgar Gulbransen was seated as a new delegate from Painters 127. Floyd Peaslee stating that Gulbransen is the new recording secretary for that union. Hold-over delegates from Local 127 are J. S. Miller, who is president of the BTC, Larry Kessel, Peaslee, Hugh Rutledge, and Harry Boughton.

Charles Sappema was seated as a new delegate from Hodcarriers 166, the holdovers being Delegates Johnson, Silva, and Roberts.

Sal Abono, Jack Archibald, Emil Ovensberg, and Anthony Ramos were seated as delegates from Millmen 550.

GLAZIERS

Childers said one firm which had been having non-glaziers do the work of glaziers had agreed to have a union firm employing members of Glaziers 169 do the work henceforth.

AUTOMOTIVE FIBRES

Complaint having been made that rugmaking machinery and boilers are being installed by non-BTC workers at the old California Cotton Mills plant, now owned by National Automotive Fibres, Childers said he had seen the manager, who said that CIO Textile Workers Union members were doing these jobs. This is still unsatisfactory to the BTC, as Childers pointed out that the work belongs by rights to BTC craftsmen.

NON-UNION JOB

A job at 5200 Foothill boulevard was checked by Childers, who found non-union electricians and linemen layers working under a contractor called the United Contractors & Engineers Association. Three carpenters on the job joined the union, and the contractor agreed to hire union electricians.

UC PAINTERS' RATES

William Monahan, the new University of California business manager on the Berkeley campus, has promised Childers that the new Bay Area scale for painters will be provided for in the next paychecks.

BILLS AFFECTING LABOR

Bills introduced in the Legislature affecting unemployment insurance, social security, disability insurance, and health and welfare plans were so amended in the State Senate before passing, said Childers, that it is now uncertain just

Automation Makes Shorter Workday Urgent, Says Jones

Paul L. Jones, Laborers 304 told the Central Labor Council this week that he believed the time had come to make a drive for the 6-hour day.

"I'm always reading pieces in the daily papers," said Jones, "about how automation won't cause unemployment, because all the men who lose their jobs because of automation will get jobs making more machines so there will be more automation. But that certainly isn't the experience of our union."

Jones said that there are now 300 members of Local 304 unemployed, "which is something startlingly unusual for this time of year."

He said he had watched these men getting unemployed as machines came in to replace what 10 or 12 men were doing, and now only one or two or three men are needed to take their places.

"And I read just the other day in East Bay Labor Journal," added Jones, "that State Employment Director William Burgett has been able to eliminate 125 workers in his office by putting in machinery."

As a vice president of the State Federation of Labor Jones said he had been taking up the matter with the executive council of the State Fed, which is made up of the various regional vice presidents, but had got nowhere. He said that some of the State Fed vice presidents are officers of unions which already have won the 7-hour day, and feel that it's up to each individual union to win the shorter workday.

But Jones said he felt that the onslaught of automation is now so general that it's high time a drive was made by all unions for the shorter workday.

At the June 21 meeting of the Building Trades Council Jones had urged the need for a shorter workday, and Chester Bartolini, Carpenters 36, secretary of the Bay Cities Council of Carpenters, had strongly emphasized the importance of the subject.

There was general applause at the CLC meeting this week when Jones made his address on the subject.

East Shore Bus Co. Signs With Union

Motor Coach Employees Division 1225 has organized some score of drivers operating 15 charter buses for the East Shore Bus Line of Berkeley, and a contract has been signed.

The newly established contract provides for a 15-cent hourly wage increase, bringing pay to \$1.75 an hour, going into effect June 15. The contract also provides for a system of seniority, two weeks paid vacation, and a union shop.

The company, located at 849 University avenue, operates in both Alameda and Contra Costa counties, handling some school runs among others. Division 1225, affiliated with the same international as the Key System employees in Division 192, has jurisdiction over Greyhound and Peerless drivers.

Ed Bezore, assistant business representative of Division 1225, signed up the drivers for the East Shore.

C. C. Nelson is shop steward under the new agreement.

ELECTION AT NEXT MEET OF CLC MONDAY JULY 11

There will be no meeting of the Central Labor Council Monday, July 4, owing to that being Independence Day.

At the next meeting, Monday, July 11, CLC President John F. Quinn announces that there will be election of a member of the Investigating Committee to take the place made vacant by the resignation of Joseph Hightower, Carpenters 36.

Three were nominated for the place at the meeting this week: Rea Stettum, Culinary 31; Herb Sims, Engineers 39; Roy Heinrichs, Typographical 36.

An Employer Group Willing to Listen To Cleaners' Plan

Sam Axtell for United Employers has agreed to a suggestion by Central Labor Council Assistant Secretary W. P. Fee that the cleaning and dyeing establishments in East Bay represented by the United Employers meet by a certain date any advance in pay granted cleaning and dyeing workers in San Francisco.

But J. Hunter Clark, who represents the larger plants in the East Bay and who also negotiates for plants in San Francisco, had not agreed to this idea at the time Fee was reporting to the council. However, Fee and Russ Crowell, business representative for Cleaners 23, felt much encouraged by Axtell's acceptance of the plan.

There have been a dozen negotiation sessions at which Fee as member of a subcommittee appointed by the CLC executive committee has sat in on. Fee said Monday that no progress was made until strike sanction was granted to the union.

Under some of the classification adjustments that the union feels are important some workers would get as much as 52 cents more per hour. Others would get much less.

Machinists Now In The New Building

District Lodge 115, International Association of Machinists, and four affiliated lodges are now located in the new Machinists building, 701 13th street, Oakland.

The four affiliated lodges are: 284, 1330, 1518, and 1566. The telephone number remains the same: TWInoaks 3-8186.

There will be an open house reception Friday, July 15, between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m.

Haggerty Is Preparing Report on Legislature

State Federation of Labor Secretary C. J. Haggerty announces the State Federation is now compiling its full-length legislative survey which will be issued to all unions and councils in early August.

He added that increased annual benefits in unemployment and disability insurance and workmen's compensation adopted by the recent Legislature would run as high as \$30 million.

Key Dispute Plan For Settlement Is Weighed by Union

Vern Stambaugh, president of Carmen's Division 192, told the Central Labor Council Monday night that "if any of you have plans for going anywhere Thursday morning, you'd better watch yourselves."

Stambaugh said that up to that time Key System had made only one real offer, a 9-cent hourly raise spread over two years' instalments.

He reminded the delegates that the union's contract had expired May 31, had been extended by the union for negotiating only to June 20, and that since then the men had been working without a contract.

The membership has voted by a tremendous majority to strike if necessary.

Federal Mediator Arthur Viat has suggested a 12-cent offer such as the Los Angeles Transit Co. offered to the striking carmen and bus drivers in that city. But Stambaugh pointed out Monday that Key had not up to that time made any such offer. The 12-cent proposal was turned down by the Los Angeles strikers. Both the Los Angeles company and Key are subsidiaries of the National City Lines.

Meetings for the membership were held at three different hours Wednesday, to give all workers for Key an opportunity to hear the report on the negotiations.

At the meetings Wednesday the results of negotiations Tuesday were explained to the members. Stambaugh stating that what these amounted to was a recommendation by the conciliator for a peaceful settlement.

The matter must go to referendum before there could be any settlement, and today (Friday) the referendum may get under way.

Officers Named by Sheet Metal 216

Sheet Metal Workers 216 in their election held June 25 named the following to office:

President — George W. Grosser

Vice President — William E. Haake

Recording Secretary — Donald R. Kennedy

Treasurer — George A. Germain

Conductor — Lester Krenz

Warden — Robert M. Cooper

Business Representative and Financial Secretary — Lloyd Child

Assistant Business Representative No. 1 — Joe F. Pruss

Assistant Business Representative No. 2 — Robert E. Quinn

Contra Costa County and Alameda County Building Trades Councils — Elected Business Representatives are delegates.

Alameda County Central Labor Council — Stanford L. Davis and William Maddox

Executive Board — The following four were elected: Robert M. Cooper, Elias L. Arellano, William F. Jackson, and Warren J. Payne. The election of a fifth member will be held later.

Trustees — Claude E. Armistage, Sidney Amess, William Nickals.

BUILDING PERMITS

In the city of Alameda reached the lowest level in a recent week since February 25. Eleven permits totaled only \$3,706.

James A. Suffridge of Oakland Is Clerks General President

James A. Suffridge, formerly secretary-treasurer of Food Clerks 870, is still the principal executive officer of the Retail Clerks International Association, but now he will bear the title of president instead of secretary-treasurer.

Vernon A. Housewright, who has been the president for some years, now becomes secretary-treasurer of the international union.

This change in titles was made during the recent convention in New York City, from which local delegates had returned this week.

Harris Wilkin, who as secretary-treasurer of Food Clerks 870 holds the position Suffridge held when a local union official, was on the Constitution Committee of the convention. Wilkin told East Bay Labor Journal that the change of titles was made to conform to standard practice in both AFL and CIO.

There are now very few international unions, he said, in which the principal executive officer is the secretary-treasurer.

Suffridge after leaving his local post had been president of the RCIA until 1946, when he was made principal executive officer with the title of secretary-treasurer; now he is back with his old title as president.

The regular elections will be held next year. In the meantime the executive board was empowered to appoint Suffridge and Housewright to their new titles. Wilkin said that the change was suggested by Housewright.

Wilkin commented on the great increase in the number of delegates at the convention, there being between 900 and 1000 present, reflecting the 34% increase in the membership of the international in the last four years.

The Constitutional Committee was kept busy for some time during the actual sessions of the convention, said Wilkin, although it had convened the week before the opening day of the main session. Many small "but vital" changes had to be made in the constitution to bring it up to date.

"In fact," said Wilkin, jokingly, "we were kept so busy on our committee that I'm planning to read the journal of the convention to see what happened!"

The convention adopted a resolution calling for a boycott of all employers who attack the rights of their retail employees through such means as labor espionage and smear and slander. The RCIA called for the use of all legal means to wage the boycott, including picketing, sanctions and publicity.

Delegates paid a great deal of attention to action in favor of securing a \$1.25 an hour minimum wage.

Among the convention speakers were President George Meany of the AFL, Representative James Roosevelt, William Schmitzler, secretary-treasurer of the AFL, Guy Farmer of the National Labor Relations Board, and President Paul L. Phillips of the AFL Paper Makers.

Suffridge sat in the convention as a delegate from both Food Clerks 870 and Department & Specialty Stores Employees 1265. The other delegate for Local 1265 was John Phillips, formerly secretary of that local and now administrative assistant to Suffridge. Russ Mathiesen succeeded Philpott here.

The delegates for Local 870 in addition to Wilkin and Suffridge were Central Labor Council

zone was born near Genoa, in Italy, and now, a widower, for some time has been living at his birthplace, after years in the United States. It was to see his father, when ill some time ago, that Angelo visited Italy and studied labor unions there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruzzone hope at the conclusion of his studies at Oxford to visit some European countries, for Mrs. Bruzzone will accompany her husband abroad. K. B. Anderson, director of a folkschool in Denmark, who spoke before the Central Labor Council here some months ago, has extended a cordial invitation to Bruzzone to visit him.

"But of course right now," says Angelo, "I'm thinking what a pleasure it will be to live for a time in England, the cradle of our labor movement, and the country whose history and culture has had so much influence on our own country."

Bruzzone will be the second man from Milk Drivers & Dairy Employees 302 to go to England for studies in recent years, as the secretary-treasurer of that union, Jeffery Colahan, returned last year from studies and lecturing at Leeds University on a Fulbright fellowship.

Bruzzone will attend Ruskin College from October 5 of this year to June of next year. He hopes to study industrial relations, economics, and some philosophy.

"I don't know a great deal about philosophy, but what little I have studied has softened my life for me," he says, "made hardships seem less hard, and given a broader view on the problems of the world."

Bruzzone has been greatly attracted by translations of the works of Confucius and Mencius, ancient Chinese philosophers; by some of the writings of Albert Schweitzer, Bertrand Russell, and Fulton Sheen.

Angelo and Elsie Bruzzone on June 6 celebrated their wedding anniversary; they were married in 1937, and Angelo can say the date of the wedding right off without any trouble, thus meeting one of the first requirements of successful married life. They live at 2910 Florence street, Berkeley. Mrs. Bruzzone is employed at Kahn's Angelo drives for the Shuey-Diamond Dairy, is a shop steward for the union, and on the board of the local credit union.

Angelo's father Antone Bruz-

Milk Driver Angelo Bruzzone Eager to Live in 'Cradle of Trade Unionism'

When Angelo Bruzzone of Milk Drivers 302 told a woman customer in Piedmont that he had won a scholarship for a year's study at Ruskin College, Oxford, England, she asked:

"Does this have something to do with labor?"

"Yes," replied Bruzzone. "Well, I hope you'll remember the United States Constitution!" said the lady, apparently a bit anxiously.

Telling about this, Bruzzone says: "Mind you, this lady is very intelligent, and if someone as intelligent as she is has a fear that if you're mixed up with labor unions in any way you're doing something unconstitutional, it just shows how little the role of the trade unions in our American democracy is understood by a great many good people."

Bruzzone himself has no fear that our American unions are unconstitutional in their activity, but instead feels that they are part of the search for "liberty and justice for all" celebrated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. And in Italy, which he visited a few years ago, he saw another kind of



ANGELO BRUZZONE

union activity, quite different from ours.

"I asked one young Communist with whom I got acquainted," says Bruzzone, "why he had joined the Communist Party. He told me that he and his friends had tried the black shirts, and now they were giving England that the trade union as a trial to the red shirts; that it

was as simple as that; and besides, if you wanted to get or hold a job in places dominated by certain unions you had to be a Communist."

Although Bruzzone is only in his thirties, he has in his own experience seen what unions can do for the worker.

Born in East Oakland, he went through Durant Grammar School, Hoover Junior High, and McClymond's High School. His earliest work brought him 50 cents a day and vegetables to take home for the family table; when he was about 19 he was driving a truck, sometimes for 12 or 14 hours a day.

Later, for 6 years in the Stage Riggers and now for 10 years in the Milk Drivers, he found that unions can do a great deal to increase income, bring better working conditions, and nourish a man's feeling of being a free and independent citizen of a democracy.

"Labor has lifted the people," says Bruzzone, "and one of the big reasons I am so happy about getting a chance for a year's study in Labor's Ruskin College in Oxford is because it is in shirts, and now they were giving England that the trade union as a trial to the red shirts; that it

HOW TO BUY

Look For Clothing Buys!

By SIDNEY MARGOLIS
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

Your living costs will be a bit easier for this month if you take advantage of the many July sales and clearances, especially clothing, to anticipate your needs.

But July's cut-price sales are only the prelude to a new boost in living expenses in late summer as pork, eggs, milk and other important staples embark on their seasonal price climb. All that the recent "remarkably stable" period of living costs, as the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics described it, has meant to moderate-income families is that retail prices leveled off at record highs while prices of wholesale commodities went down.

Used car seekers will also find price cuts in July as tags on second-hand vehicles are given the traditional post-July 4 trimming. In new cars, current inventories are reported to be close to the heaviest in history, so shop for the best deal. The '56 models will be moving into dealer's hands in the second half of the year, with a little improvement over the '55 cars, especially in torque (forward thrust). The '55 models themselves have been acclaimed by experts as showing a noticeable improvement in roadability and handling over previous years.

Perhaps the most useful July sales are the semi-annual shoe sales, with most stores and brands offering 10-20 percent off on staple styles. Shoes are the only clothing item which have not dropped in price these past two years, and even actually rose further this year. So it's valuable policy to time the family's shoe buying for July and January when possible.

Home Appliances: Another combination washer and dryer has come on the market. Like the combination already out, the machine goes through the entire cycle of washing and completely drying clothes without you touching them. The only labor-saving you get from a single wash-and-dry unit over a separate washer and dryer, is that you don't have to lift the damp clothing from one machine to the other. Nor is there any price advantage.

Rugs: Families seeking to buy carpets in the mid-summer sales will find them more expensive this year. Mills raised wholesale prices as much as six percent this spring. Some retailers have inventories purchased at lower prices on which they have not raised tags, so comparison-shop for these better values.

Food: Pork prices have been going up. Beef is still in heavy supply and reasonable. Look for specials on beef to stock up your freezer, too. Another money-saver at this time is canned tuna fish, in heavy supply and being subjected to sharp price-cutting.

Buyers Beware

Electricity

In buying a home, or in running a home, make sure electric wiring and fixtures are properly installed, and be sure not to misuse them.

Misuse of electricity now accounts for at least 12 percent of home fires, safety specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture remind housewives. Overloaded wires have become an increasing home hazard as families use more and more electrical equipment, especially high-wattage and automatic appliances, without modernizing household wiring systems. Overloaded wires blow fuses or over-heat and damage insulation, then may start fires smoldering in the walls.

Larger wires or more circuits or both are needed in many homes today. According to some estimates as many as half the home wiring systems need modernizing to keep pace with air conditioners, clothes dryers, television sets, home freezers and many other appliances. By 1955 well-equipped homes may be using twice as much electricity as in 1945. Adequate wiring systems are an investment not only in home safety but also in efficient and economical operation of electric appliances.

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Berkeley Is Asked for Health Plan and 3-Week Vacation After 5 Years

East Bay Municipal Employees 390, affiliated with the Building Service International Union, has asked the City of Berkeley for a health and welfare program and for a liberalized vacation schedule.

Ed Reith, business representative, says that the health program asked for is that the city "pay the premium for an adequate health and welfare program, covering hospital, medical and surgical benefits for city employees."

The other proposal is that the city "amend the present practice of granting 3 weeks of vacation after 10 years of service, so that employees will receive 3 weeks of vacation after 5 years of service and 4 weeks of vacation after 15 years of service."

The union has submitted along with its request for the requested changes a list of vacation policies in Bay Area public jurisdictions, and a great many instances of three-week vacation schedules in private industry. The list concludes with this statement:

"Not only are three-week vacation plans prevalent today in Bay Area public employment and private industry; this prevalence is also part of a trend which is evident throughout the country."

The Bureau of National Affairs is quoted as reporting:

"Three-week vacations have more than doubled in frequency in the last three years and represent another continuing trend in vacation practices."

If You Garden

Luring Birds

Homeowners who wish to attract birds as permanent residents of their home grounds must include in their landscape plans thick-type plantings that will provide protection and nesting places.

Thicket-type plantings along property lines will also give privacy to the residents and serve as a background for garden beds and borders.

Shrubs chosen for thicket-type plantings should be varieties that will produce berries, nuts or seeds so they will be a source of food for the birds.

Honeysuckle, hollyhock, cranesbill, elderberry, dogwood, Nanking cherry, nannyberry and other varieties of viburnums will provide both protection and food.

Trees like ornamental crab apples, mountain ash, wild and cultivated plum, hackberry, paper and canoe birch are all good sources of food for birds.

The landscape plan should also include an open area of the lawn in the central part of the backyard, where birds can find worms and grubs, and an observation point for bird watching such as a terrace close to the house.

An advantage in having birds as residents of the home grounds, in addition to the pleasure they provide, is to keep down insects in the garden.

REPEAL of the 20 percent Federal amusement tax is the No. 1 objective of the AFL American Federation of Musicians in a drive to ease unemployment in the entertainment industry. The union's 59th annual convention approved in Cleveland an all-out drive for repeal of the levy, described by AFM President James C. Petrillo as "the biggest job deterrent to a profession heavily plagued by excessive unemployment." He said the tax has cost the jobs of 50,000 musicians in the last 10 years.

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Women in This World

By EDITH McCONN

THE AVERAGE MAN, told by his wife that he needs a new suit, goes to a clothing store, picks out a suit as near as possible identical with his last one, and walks out of the store with the suit under his arm.

Or, if he is in a higher income bracket, he goes to his tailor, and tells him he wants a suit, just like the last one. The tailor, if he is a careful chap, checks the waistline for an eminently probable increase, and bows his always satisfied and always satisfactory customer out of his shop.

Recently, however, the clothing industry with the enthusiastic approval of the ladies, has tried to get this conservative customer into less conventional wear.

They remember how, a couple of hundred years ago, gentlemen were clothed with ruffles and colors to rival the ladies' at any social gathering.

And now the so-called "informal" dress suit, for many years a funeral black, is coming in for a lively up.

Men have loathed this somber uniform, the inevitable accompaniment of ladies happy in floor-length colorful formal. But now, all is changed!

The so-called tuxedo may now be had in every gay shade, with a cummerbund to harmonize. They are light weight and comfortable. They are inexpensive, some costing as little as \$15 for a jacket.

The leading manufacturer of such wear expects to sell at least 300,000 this year. And it is predicted that the victims will be willing!

Until a few decades ago, most women after forty were dismal black. Men have continued to wear conservative colors. But this addition to black was merely a passing phase in the long history of human garb.

For all the centuries before Victoria, clothes were colorful for both males and females. So there's nothing very revolutionary about the fact that men, as well as women, have at last left the Victorian Age behind them.

Some Good Food

Cake Topping

A round or oblong loaf of cake, home-baked or purchased, is a favorite impromptu dessert. Some simple toppings:

1. Combine three table-spoons of butter, one-quarter cup granulated sugar and one-half teaspoon cinnamon. Cream until soft and spread on cake. Just before serving, place under broiler and broil until spread becomes bubbly.

2. Arrange drained slices of pineapple on top of a cake that is 9x13x2 inches. Sprinkle with creamed-together mixture of one-half cup brown sugar, two tablespoons flour and three tablespoons butter. Broil several minutes till topping is bubbly. Serve warm.

3. Put a lace paper doily on the cake; sprinkle liberally with confectioners' sugar. Remove doily carefully to reveal delicate snowflake design. The doily should be the same shape as the cake, and the sugar should be added just before serving.

EAST GERMAN Communist leaders abolished the right of 5,000,000 trade unionists to strike in East Germany.

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Debt-Pooler Comments on Margolius; Says Reputable Ones Do Big Service

Editor, Labor Journal
Oakland, California

You will recall that I called on you shortly after the Margolius article "Beware Debt-Poolers" was published in your paper on May 20, 1955.

In common with your columnist, Sidney Margolius, our concern and sympathy is with the debt-harassed working man and his family.

We are operators of four debt-pooling offices in the Bay area, and agreed heartily with some of the things he says in his article. But some of his comments are clearly erroneous. In fact, several of our clients who read the piece commented to us. They thought it was unfair.

Mr. Margolius correctly says, "debt poolers try to arrange with a family's creditors to accept weekly or monthly payments."

But there's more to it than this. We also consult with the family. Our interviewers set up a planned spending schedule. They show where and how expenses can be cut. They point out ways in which money can be saved. They explain how finances can be managed. They are trained workers, ready to help out in many kinds of emergencies. In fact, the modern, progressive debt-pooler acts as a kind of business manager for debt-involved wage earners.

Yet your article writer fails to mention any of these valuable services. On the contrary he advises that if you fall behind with your debts, you have only three steps you can take. One, explain to creditors your self, and work out arrangements. Two, borrow from a credit union. And three, file a wage earners petition in bankruptcy.

Let's examine this advice realistically. First, if you can get along by explaining to creditors, fine. Do it. You'd be silly to pay a debt-pooler in that case. But all too often, family debt goes behind this point. Attempts have already been made to "explain." Promises have been made — and broken through force of circumstances. Creditors no longer believe the promises. They've lost confidence in the family. They want their money — preferably all of it — right now! What's your next step?

Mr. Margolius says you should seek help from a credit union. That's excellent advice. We give it frequently. We tell prospective clients, "First try your company credit union, then your bank, your insurance company, your Morris Plan company, your small loan company."

But it's not that easy! Every day people come to our offices who haven't been able to "explain" to creditors. And they haven't been able to get a loan, either. They're desperate. They face:

1. Repossession of valuable merchandise
2. Lawsuits and judgments, with added costs
3. Creditor pressure on job, with possible loss of job, or wage attachment
4. Family discord and unhappiness
5. Possible resort to gambling or crime
6. Destruction of good credit rating.

For the thousands, if not millions of American families in this fix, Mr. Margolius can only recommend a wage earners petition in bankruptcy! Unfortunately, this plan just isn't practical.

Right here in the Bay area the wage-earners petition is in such low esteem that not more than three cases have been filed in the past 25 years.

And contrary to Mr. Margolius' claim, ethical debt-poolers

do not take their fees out first!

A reputable debt pooling firm can and does help people who are badly in need of financial assistance. The fact that some doctors, lawyers, or preachers are crooks doesn't mean people must do without medical, legal, or spiritual aid entirely. The same is true of debt-pooling. It is a simple matter to check on any such firm. Call your local Better Business Bureau, Credit Bureau, Chamber of Commerce, or Legal Aid Society. They will tell you which firms are ethical, decent, worth-while organizations.

Sincerely,
S. M. KAPLAN

More Automation Means More Food Clerks, Says Employers' Spokesman

Fears that automation will cut down employment are especially unwarranted in the retail food business, Mrs. Marie Kiefer, secretary-manager of the National Association of Retail Grocers, asserted in Chicago recently, the New York Times reports.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the association, Mrs. Kiefer noted that self-service and increased mechanization in food stores has not cut down the number of employees.

She pointed out that from 1948 to 1951 food store personnel increased in number by at least 250,000, and that the new business census being taken by the Department of Commerce is expected to show a "tremendous" increase in food store employment.

Customers like modern supermarket facilities, but they also want personalized friendly service, Mrs. Kiefer said.

"Regardless of store size, packaging, streamlining and all additional facilities, modern stores must plan more time for personnel training to aid shopping housewives," Mrs. Kiefer said. "In the competitive market of the future, no retailer will be able to overlook personalized service."

Speaking of Clothes

American Feet

Hundreds of American women shoppers will invade the high fashion salons of Europe this summer to splurge on a made-to-measure outfit, according to a recent United Press dispatch from Rome.

The first-time visitors do not need to bother explaining they are from the United States. They will be greeted by experts who not only speak several languages but can spot an American woman the minute they lay eyes on her.

"I look at their feet," a friendly, smiling woman known only as Dottie said to explain her American-spotting trick at the fashion salon of the Fontana Sisters in Rome.

American women, it seems, wear more comfortable-looking shoes "with more room in the toes." French and Italian women, on the other hand, have accepted the extreme pointed toe and needle-tapered heel more rapidly than the Americans.

URBAN RENEWAL program for Oakland was this week given approval by Federal Government, which means that Oakland will get Federal money for costs of planning, and if necessary for acquisition of buildings. Robert S. Ash, secretary of Central Labor Council, is a member of the Urban Renewal board.

White Collarites Of Germany Here

Dick Groulx, Office Employees 29, recently had the job of playing host to a group of leaders of the German White Collar Workers Union, called DAG for short, touring the United States on a 60-day visit. They are participants in the foreign leader program of the Department of State's International Educational Exchange Service.

Groulx took the three men and one woman visitors plus an interpreter to the Kaiser Hospital, the offices of Electricians 1245, and other places of interest.

Emil Bleckschmidt of the group is in charge of the Youth Section for DAG and is a member of the executive board of the West German Ministry of Interior.

Heinrich Christmann is treasurer and chief of DAG's finance department. Miss Gerda Hesse is secretary of the Economic Section of DAG, editor of several periodicals for the union, and vice president of the Hamburg Business & Professional Women's Club.

Hans Kuhn is secretary of DAG, and organizer for the union.

The president of DAG, Fritz Rettig, is making the tour of the U. S. but was unable to visit Oakland.

Groulx gathered that the White Collar Union in West Germany includes office employees, clerks in stores, draftsmen, and many others who in this country belong to separate unions of their crafts.

The President Thanked By John F. Shelley for Invite to Fly With Him

Congressman John F. Shelley of San Francisco was invited by President Eisenhower to fly aboard the Columbine with him to attend the opening session of the Tenth Anniversary of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Shelley was obliged to decline as he had commitments of long standing to meet people coming to Washington for the purpose of conferring with him. In writing to the President expressing his thanks for the invitation and his regret that he was unable to accept, Shelley said:

"Mr. President, I want to assure you that in spite of any differing view points we may have on political matters and some domestic issues the question of the United States participation in and support of the United Nations is one on which no partisan political division can be allowed. For that reason, I am doubly appreciative of your invitation to fly with you to San Francisco for the Tenth Anniversary sessions of the General Assembly and am doubly regretful that I could not accompany you."

CAN THE CANADIAN system of family allowances work in the United States? Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D., Ore.) urged the Senate to find out by appointing a special committee to study the Canadian program and report on its feasibility in the U. S.

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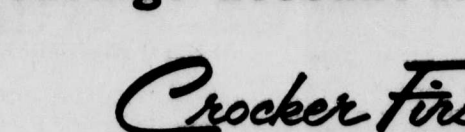
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Steamfitter Here Apprentice Winner

By JIM MARTIN

The Joint State Apprenticeship Committee, at their meetings held June 23 and 24 at Santa Barbara, graded the examinations for 3rd, 4th and 5th year plumber and pipefitter apprentices.

The 5th year plumber and pipefitter apprentice winner will participate in the United Association's National Contest, which will be held at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, from August 15 to August 20, 1955.

Prizes of \$1,000.00 for first place, \$500.00 for second place and \$250.00 for third place will be awarded to both the plumber and pipefitter apprentice winners by General President Martin P. Durkin.

Results of the California Contest were:

For 5th year plumber apprentices

First place winner was Walter Moore of Local No. 78, Los Angeles with 79.60%.

Second place winner was Charles Luke of Local No. 761 with 77.50%.

Third place winner was Randy Ramirez of Local No. 467 with 75.80%.

For 4th year plumber apprentices

First place winner was James Vallely, Local No. 545, with 80.55%.

Second place winner was Marvin Turner, Local No. 467, with 78.96%.

Third place winner was Robert Brown, Local No. 761, with 76.25%.

For 3rd year plumber apprentices

First place winner was Robert Beers, Local No. 230, with 82.20%.

Second place winner was Ken Lipton, Local No. 78, with 79.20%.

Third place winner was William Krieh, Local No. 467, with 79.00%.

For the 5th year pipefitter apprentices

First place winner was Andrew O. Donovan, Local No. 250, with 71.75%.

Second place winner was Richard Morgan, Local No. 38, with 69.85%.

Third place winner was Bobbie Beeson, Local No. 342, with 67.58%.

Backstage With Stagehands

Stagehands Are Busy on Both Sides of the Bay

By HOWARD GOSS

Our regular columnist will be busy in S. F. for the next few months and has asked me to take over for him. Glad to do it. Bill, and hope I can do as good a job as you have done. Need a little help, though, so if anyone has any news call me at the Auditorium.

Pop and Jack Abbott, of Western Scenic Studio, have spent a very busy week running miles of cable and hanging acres of cyclorama and scenery for the Shrine Ceremonial at the Auditorium. Gus Schneider did a beautiful job on the new cyc, but honest now, Gus, did they have TV in those days? Harry Simonsen was on the job working like mad to make up for what he and Paula lost in Reno last week.

The Straw Hatters opened at the Claremont Hotel, for a long and successful run we hope, with Ed Sobotker working the deck.

Jack Craig, who is usually hard to locate, may be found behind a spotlight at the Ice Follies at Winterland. Walter Wilhelm is there also, and the two Bills, Daul and Pelkey are at the Geary.

WELFARE SECRETARY

Hobby's cry of "socialized medicine" against a proposal for free distribution of Salk polio vaccine is symptomatic of what's wrong with the Republican Party, Kansas GOP Gov. Fred Hall declared. He told the college section of the national convention of the Young Republican Federation that Mrs. Hobby's comment to a Senate committee revealed lack of understanding of the key constitutional principle of the exercise of police power by state and federal governments "to protect public health."

CAR OWNERS can dismantle their own automobiles without a wrecker's license if they hold their wrecking to three automobiles a year, under a bill signed this week by Governor Knight.

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Steamfitters 342

Our next meeting, July 7, 1955, will be a Special Called meeting for the purpose of electing Delegates to the State Federation of Labor Convention, also to advise the membership of the additional new benefits, pertaining to the changes in our New York Life Health and Welfare Plan.

Fraternal yours,
JAMES MARTIN,
Business Manager and
Financial Secretary

East Bay Automotive Machinists 1546

Attention Members: Financing a strike fund through the California Conference of Machinists will be a special order of business at the next regular meeting Tuesday, July 5, at 8 p.m., Hall M, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez street, Oakland.

Fraternaly,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

Cemetery Workers and Green Attendants Union No. 322

The regular monthly meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 6 in Hall B, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez street, Oakland. Hoping to see you,

Cordially and fraternaly,
EDWARD REITH,
Business Representative

Millmen 550

There will be no meeting Friday July 1. The meeting has been canceled due to the long holiday weekend. However, installation of officers will be a feature of the meeting July 15.

Yours fraternaly,
M. D. CICINATO,
Recording Secretary

Sheet Metal Workers 216

The office will be closed all day Saturday July 2 and will reopen Tuesday July 5.

Yours fraternaly,
LYNN CHILD,
Business Representative

Plasterers 112

There will be a special called meeting at 8 p.m. July 7 at the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez street. The purpose is to select an auditor and to provide for the financing of the auditing of the union books.

Fraternaly yours,
GEORGE WHITTON,
Secretary-Treasurer

Cement Masons 594

Special Meeting Notice: The next meeting, to be held Thursday evening July 7 at 8 p.m. in Hall I at 2315 Valdez street, Oakland, will be a special meeting. The special order of business will be the election of delegates to the State Conference.

It is important that you make every effort to be here as an assessment may be considered.

Fraternaly,
M. B. DILLASHAW,
Business Representative

Painters, District Council 16

To all members of House Painters Local Unions: The Bay Area Painters Welfare Program will be open for changes to become effective September 1, 1955. Any and all members desiring changes in the program to be made must have such desired changes submitted through their Local Union and in the hands of the trustees of the Bay Area Painters Welfare Fund by July 30, 1955.

Fraternaly yours,
LESLIE K. MOORE
Secretary-Treasurer of the District Council of Painters No. 16

Clerks & Lumber Handlers 939

Special assessment No. 1 is due and payable along with the third quarter's dues July 1, 1955.

The next regular meeting of this local will be held Friday, July 8.

Fraternaly yours,
A. R. ESTES,
Recording Secretary

Wife of Bakery Driver President Wright Dies

Mrs. Katherine P. Wright, wife of S. J. Wright, president of Bakery Drivers & Salesmen 432, died recently at the age of 63.

Surviving are her husband, three children Mrs. Kay Connelly of Walnut Creek, Charles Wright of Berkeley and James Edward Wright of Sheffield Village; three sisters and six grandchildren.

Dr. F. Marion Smith of Trinity Methodist Church officiated at funeral services in the Little Chapel of the Flowers, Adeline St. and Ashby Station.

Mrs. Wright, had lived in Berkeley a quarter of a century before moving to Oakland a few years ago. She was a native of San Francisco and a member of Berkeley Chapter No. 178, Order of the Eastern Star.

A. D. C. LEGAL AID group is wrecking the best laid plans of the administration's security program and to date has reported a perfect record in winning cases for employees facing federal security risk charges.

Watchmakers July 28 Meet Important

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

This is the first notice that the San Francisco July membership meeting on July 28th will be an important one. We will write more about this in later columns.

Generally at this time we are in the process of mailing to the employers the Insurance Audits and list of claims paid for the six months' period, however, due to our auditor being in Europe, we are unable to send them on schedule.

We are told that he will return in July, therefore, the Insurance Audit and list of claims paid, should go forth sometime during August.

We have two proud papas to report this week—both brag girls—both work as watchmakers in Mission Street stores and both babies were born at Kaiser Foundation Hospital.

Ernest Gonzales, watchmaker employed at the Swiss Diamond

Palace, informed us that his wife presented him with a 6 pound 15 oz. baby girl whom they have named Ester Marie. This little lady put in her appearance on June 1st.

Serge Rosario, watchmaker employed at Crescent Jewelry Co., informed us that he now has a daughter born June 21st. Baby Angela weighed 7 pounds 5 oz.

Congratulations to both Bro. Gonzales and Bro. Rosario and their families.

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SAN JOSE MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTICE: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 5th at 8 p.m., Labor Temple, 45 Santa Teresa Street, San Jose.

Wives and Relatives of Machinists Invited to Join Ladies Auxiliary

By OLIVE M. HARVEY

Press Correspondent

Woman Knocks Out Demo Women's foe

Assemblyman Charles Chapel, Republican Inglewood, got into the dailies' headlines this week when his wife Dorothy told the police that the reason she hit him on the head with a glass lampshade was because he got up about 2 a.m., began drinking, and when she tried to call police and tell them he was out of control he pulled the telephone wire out of the wall, "started to rave, threw furniture and broke chairs."

The upshot of it was that Mrs. Chapel felt it necessary to knock him out, which she did, and then had him taken to the hospital.

Chapel emerged from the ordeal kissing his wife before photographers, with the statement that his 23-stitch scalp wound proved once more what he had long believed, that "this is a woman's world."

The 25 Democratic women from Alameda county who during the session of the Legislature wrote to Speaker Luther Lincoln that they felt Chapel had insulted them when they spoke against one of Chapel's bills.

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Delegates to Convention in Boston Is Chosen By Printers Auxiliary

By FRED A. CRIPPS

Press Correspondent

The meeting of Printers Auxiliary 26, held June 14 at Evelyn Wolters home was well attended. At that time we voted on International officers as well as our own delegate to the convention in Boston. Congratulations to Mary Stapleton who will be our delegate and to Katherine Allen, alternate.

We were happy to receive 4 new members and to hear of several others who plan to join. The membership committee wishes to point out that women members of the families of mailers are eligible to join our auxiliary. We are happy to have them.

Mabel Patterson, our charter member, and our regular Press Correspondent, Muriel Pfaffenberger have returned from their eastern vacations. Both report fine trips.

Our next meeting will be at the home of Minerva Feeney, 3233 Randolph Ave., Oakland, 10:30 a.m. July 7.

We will have business meeting followed by luncheon and the celebration of Minerva's birthday.

Let your Telephone Committee know if you need a ride.

4 LABOR REPRESENTATIVES have been named by the Labor Department to new industry committees which will meet in Puerto Rico beginning July 16 to recommend minimum wages for five island industries. Industries involved include silk, rayon and nylon, alcoholic beverages and industrial alcohol, food and related products, communications and tobacco.

EMPLOYERS in more than three-fourths of the nation's largest labor areas expect to need additional workers through mid-July, the Labor Department reported.

BUILDING TRADESMEN were interested this week in the announcement that Henry J. Kaiser will build a multimillion dollar office structure and shopping center at 20th and Webster streets, present site of Holy Names campus, understood to have been bought for \$2,560,000; also in the news that a building will be put up at 14th and Broadway, Smith's clothing store to occupy the ground floor.

INJURY RATE among workers in the first three months of 1955 dropped 4 percent from the same period in 1954 and set a new low for any first quarter on record, the Labor Department reported. The report showed 11.1 disabling injuries for each million man-hours worked during the period.

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Editor, Labor Journal:

Enclosed please find \$3 cash to apply on my subscription to East Bay Labor Journal. (I've been borrowing my neighbor's copy the last few years!)

As any fair minded person knows: "Labor, as well as management, made this country the envy of all the rest of the world. But our press (which is mostly Republican and anti-labor) doesn't want to give labor its due credit."

It's a shame that the Hearst papers and the Knowland papers are so anti-labor, because a lot of good union labor men did, and are still doing, a bang up good job of helping to get those papers out.

And in closing may I mention: I am a member of Glass Bottle Blowers Local 155 AFL. And may I add: James Gordon our president, Jess Erwin (a past president) Howard Blair, Solly Bernstein, are a credit to the labor movement.

The labor movement and the world in general is sadly in need of more men of the calibre of these men.

Respectfully,

FRED WELLS

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Despite the dire warnings of many economic pundits, the shrill gloom-and-doom walls of certain business interests, we are willing to bet that ten years from today GAW will have become an established institution in American economic life. It is no more revolutionary than unemployment compensation, social security, workmen's compensation, minimum wages, and countless other economic innovations generally accepted to-day that were pioneered by organized labor—and opposed just as vociferously and with just as many predictions of disaster by business interests. — Colorado Labor Advocate.

MEMORIAL

That sacred memories of them be perpetuated in the East Bay, profoundly inspiring commemorative services eulogized departed Union brothers at colorful Painters District Council ceremonies held Friday night, May 27, in Los Angeles Carpenters District Council Auditorium. — Thirty six (publication of L. A. District Council of Painters 36.)

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EDITORIALS

Founders of Unions Guess How Signers of Declaration Felt!

Monday of next week it will have been 179 years since the delegates of the Second Continental Congress gave formal approval to the most important of all American historical documents, the Declaration of Independence. John Adams, member of the three-man committee chosen to draw up the document, wrote to his wife Abigail concerning the day the Declaration was adopted:

"I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward, forevermore."

It is difficult now for many Americans to realize the thrill of pride, the shudder of uncertainty, the ecstasy of hope, which ran through the hearts of those early Americans as they launched the new Ship of State. The nearest editor of this paper can come to guessing at how those men felt is to remember how he felt, years ago, when participating in the starting of a new labor union. The two occasions of course are not fully comparable, but remembering the much later and much smaller one affords those who participated in it at least a remote approximation of the feelings felt by our primal patriots.

The societies known as the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Sons of the American Revolution seemingly contain few members who have any concept of the daring, the recklessness, the foolhardiness, if one may call it such, of the men who founded this republic. These remote descendants of the founders have so long dwelt on the stability of the republic, have so long feared that this stability would be harmed by the rising tide of democracy, that they seem incapable of realizing that the men who made this stability possible were not stabilizers, but agitators, rebels, originators.

Many labor union members on this day that commemorates beginnings, new seedings, novel emergences, partings with the dead past, are in danger of making the same mistake as the Sons and Daughters of the Revolution: they are in danger of taking unionism for granted as something that has existed forever, that was founded by stuffed shirts, that represents frozen stability rather than dynamic advance into the future.

Hard thinking, downright shrewd diplomacy went into the great document, of course, as well as the courage we have cited. For example, Thomas Jefferson in his original draft had denounced the slave trade carried on under the British flag. The other two members of the drafting committee, John Adams and Benjamin Franklin, persuaded him to cut that part out, on the ground that it would unduly stir up the Southerners and also some of the New England shipowners who were making a lot of money out of hauling slaves. So the document was the product of political maneuvering such as we all have to indulge in today, as well as of the courage that more of us should show today.

Nevertheless, in all, it's a great document, it lives, bleeds, breathes, hopes, moves on with us into the future. John Adams was right: the adoption of it should be celebrated "from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward, forevermore."

Harry Got Bigger Ovation Than Ike

There is general agreement about one event of the United Nations tenth anniversary celebration in San Francisco last week—that Harry S. Truman got a tremendous ovation and made a splendid speech.

The Palo Alto Times, a Republican paper, printed the statement by its correspondent, Ruth Lucas, that the "tremendous reception" given the former President "was even greater than the ovation given President Eisenhower" earlier in the conference session.

Bill Stokes, writing in the Oakland Tribune, a paper not prone to exaggerate the achievements of or the honors paid to distinguished Democrats, reported:

"Truman's speech . . . was broken by applause no less than a dozen times. And at the end he was given three separate standing ovations."

Labor people will long remember that the Eisenhower Administration did invite Mr. Truman to the conference—to have a seat in the bleachers and keep his mouth shut!

It was the secretary general of the United Nations who gave the real invitation, asking the man to come and speak who as President of the United States addressed the delegates of 50 nations ten years ago in San Francisco just after they had signed the Charter.

At a conference of nations from all over the world at a time when renewed efforts are being made to transform the cold war into at least a cool truce, and, if possible, into something a little warmer than that, it would seem that Mr. Eisenhower might have laid aside partisan hostility and invited his famous predecessor to speak as a representative of the United States. But the man who couldn't pluck up the courage during the 1952 campaign to stick up for his old comrade in arms General Marshall against the smears of Joe McCarthy evidently couldn't dig up enough generosity of disposition to invite his old Commander in Chief to share the honors at the tenth anniversary ceremonies of the United Nations.

It's not surprising that Mr. Truman got a rousing reception when he dropped in on the San Francisco Labor Council's banquet in honor of the UN that same evening. Foreign Minister Paul H. Spaak of Belgium had just begun his address when the strains of the Missouri Waltz announced the presence of the man who with his combination of fiery courage and warmth of heart was the worthy successor of that other Democrat and man of the people, Andrew Jackson. Spaak smilingly and graciously paused in his address and joined in the welcome to the man labor people are always glad to see and hear.

For labor people the presence of Harry Truman at the UN celebration was outstandingly important.

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Iron Workers 378 Will Hold Runoff

Iron Workers 378 will hold a runoff election Saturday, July 2, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. for president and business agent.

Those contesting for the presidency in the runoff are Richard Smith Jr. and Dee Stiles Sr. Those contesting for business agent are Dale Ray and William D. Hubbard.

In the election which was held Saturday, June 25, there were three candidates for the presidency, Ed Fortier in addition to the two making it to the runoff. There were 5 candidates for business agent, the three in addition to the two in the runoff being Glenn C. Black, George A. Taylor, and Ralph Graham.

Those elected in the June 25 election were:

Vice President — Burton McAttee, unopposed

Financial Secretary and Treasurer — Arnold M. Pierce, Louis L. Sorenson was also a candidate.

Recording Secretary — To be appointed.

Executive Board — The five elected were: Ray Dowling, George Fricke, Jack J. Jolly, John K. Sadie, and Al A. Zampa Sr. Others running were: Paul Duncan, A. W. Hunt, Claude Jeffery, William LaFerrier, Hugh Sullivan, Stanley Wilczynski, and Cliff Anderson.

Examining Board — The three elected were Arlie L. Blowers, Rufus Dawkins, and Kenneth Kerr. Others running were: William L. Kingsley and Joseph Gartner.

Trustees — The three elected were: Carl Bohannon, Spencer R. Brown, and Charles Chute Sr. Another running was Nick K. Newton.

Sergeant-at-Arms — Mack Ray, unopposed.

Conductor — Monty C. Butler, unopposed.

Delegate to State Building Trades—Ed. Fortier was elected. Others running were: Richard Smith Jr., Dee Stiles Sr., George A. Taylor, and William D. Hubbard.

Delegate to State Federation Convention — Dale Ray was elected. Others running were: Glenn C. Black, George A. Taylor, George Fricke, Stanley Wilczynski, William D. Hubbard, Luis Filipovich.

Delegates to Alameda County Building Trades—Richard Smith Jr. and Hugh Sullivan. A third delegate will be appointed.

Delegates to Contra Costa County Building Trades — Burton McAttee and George A. Taylor. A third delegate will be appointed.

Delegate to Solano County Building Trades—Kenneth Kerr was elected.

Berkeley Teachers Name New Officers for Year

The Berkeley Federation of Teachers Local 1078 at its recent election named the following officers:

President Bob Ashley, Vice President Hazel Weller, Secretary Oswald Asturias, Treasurer Dick Menken, Editor John Costello, Central Labor Council Delegate Tom Haynes, Salary Chairman M. Van Weynen, Membership Chairman Pat Pace.

Face, the retiring president, in the union's newsletter speaks of the low morale in the school system in Berkeley, and attributes this in part to the "philosophy reflected in the hiring and firing policies of the administration. Which is considered more important—the experience and training of the applicant, or the salary for which he can be hired?"

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Steamfitter Tells About 2 Cities in Scotland Visited

Herbert Perry, member of Steamfitters 342, now in England studying at the London School of Economics, wrote recently from Scotland:

Scotland is a beautiful country but the climate is not very mild. It was about 68 the day I arrived, the Scots called it a heat wave, but the last few days have been alternately cold, windy, and sunny and rainy.

Edinburgh is a very clean city and the most charming and beautiful large city I have ever seen. There are very few ugly brick buildings.

Granite and stone predominate here. It is a very cultured city with many concerts and a good theater season, but no night life to speak of. This time of year everything is green and fresh and it stays daylight until 10:30 in the evening.

I have given two lectures to my classes here at the University of Maryland overseas campus, one on the concepts of manpower management and one on the history of American trade unions. This last week the BBC broadcast the program on Automatic Factories that I took part in but I missed it because my evening lecture did not finish soon enough.

I spent yesterday afternoon in Glasgow and the contrast with Edinburgh was quite startling. Glasgow is a bustling seaport and shipbuilding center and is consequently dirty and ugly in comparison. It has a large working class population and trade unions and the Labor Party are very strong here.

The Glasgow City Council has been Labor for many years and the Socialists have been strong here for a long time.

The Clyde River, which runs through Glasgow, city, is called the "Red Clyde" in reference to the strong left-wing political leanings of the working population from the shipyards, docks, factories, and coal mines in the area.

The Scots have a reputation for being militant trade unionists, more so than the other Britishers, and from my observations and meetings with different trade unionists over here I would say that they live up to their reputation.

The guiding light and one of the important founders of the Labor Party was Keir Hardie, a Scot, who never let his political success go to his head or change his feelings for the poor and oppressed working class of his day. I hope to be able to meet with some of the trade union people here in Glasgow and Edinburgh before I leave for home.

MIAMI—Dade County Central Labor Union voted to continue and step up its opposition to granting a television channel to a company formed by the city's newspapers and radio stations. The AFL body called on the Federal Communications Commission to reopen tatters, Central Labor Council Delegate Tom Haynes, Salary Chairman M. Van Weynen, Membership Chairman Pat Pace.

LIQUOR LICENSE holders must put them into effect within 30 days under a bill signed this week by Governor Knight. This is to prevent such holders from putting the precious bit of paper into a deep freeze and waiting for its price to soar.

NEW ADDRESS AND PHONES OF THE LABOR JOURNAL, AND JOURNAL PRESS

Readers will please take note that the address of East Bay Labor Journal and of the Journal Press (job printing department) now is:

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Knowland Dumping His Pal McCarthy

Indications increase that Senator Knowland has decided that Joe McCarthy has ceased to be a political asset.

Knowland voted against the censure of McCarthy, but recently spoke against a resolution McCarthy introduced on foreign policy, which was voted down 77 to 4.

And in the Oakland Tribune issue of Sunday, June 26, Charles B. Degges, the Tribune's Washington correspondent, said that McCarthy "is rapidly becoming—if indeed he has not already become—a man without a party. He can't do a Wayne Morse because the Democrats wouldn't have him on a silver platter. And the potential recruits he might corral for a third party are becoming scarcer and scarcer."

Degges adds that McCarthy is "obviously in the senatorial doghouse where has been consigned by censure last winter."

Degges then makes an effort to excuse Knowland's vote against censure of McCarthy as follows:

"McCarthy had friends and supporters when the Senate met in special session to consider his censure last November. But instead of permitting intelligent debate on the constitutional issues involved, the Wisconsin petulant undertook deliberately to alienate them. He made it difficult for senators to vote against censure."

Degges doesn't explain just why Knowland and a few others voted against censure, but goes on to sound this warning to Knowland's ditched pal:

"If he keeps on his present course, Joe will have no place to go but a third party—and he alone might be it."

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Officers Named by Millmen Local 550

Millmen 550 on June 17 elected officers for the new two-year term adopted by affiliates of the Brotherhood of Carpenters. The newly elected officials will be installed at a meeting July 15, the meeting scheduled for today (Friday July 1) having been canceled due to the Independence Day holiday weekend.

Following are the results of the election:

President — E. J. Allen

Vice President — F. G. Brooks

Recording Secretary — M. D. Cincinnati

Financial Secretary — E. H. Overberg

Treasurer — Sal Abono

Conductor — George E. White

Warden — J. S. Morrison

Trustee 3-year — George E. Johnson

Business Representative—Anthony Ramos

Six-County Conference Negotiating Committee — Overberg, Ramos, Abono, Jack Archibald, Al Cooling; Alternates H. Pedersen, Brooks, Morrison.

District Council of Carpenters — Ramos, Overberg, Cooling, Abono, Pedersen, Allen, Chris Leidich, Cincinnati, Brooks; alternates Morrison, Hugo Kaupila, Johnson, Bernard Jadeson, White, Steve Berness

Building Trades Council — Ramos, Overberg, Archibald, Cooling, Abono, Cincinnati; alternates C. H. Irish, Pedersen, Brooks

California State Mill Committee—Overberg, Ramos, Cooling, Archibald; alternates Abono, Allen, Brooks, Leidich.

Two days of folk dancing at Oakland Auditorium arena over the Fourth of July weekend will attract hundreds of dancers to Oakland, according to William H. White, general chairman of the city's holiday committee.

The folk dancing will be a part of a varied program that will range from sailboat and speedboat races on Lake Merritt, city tennis championships at Davie Stadium, armed forces exhibit at Lakeshore Park, and the traditional fireworks display over Lake Merritt Monday night, July 4.

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Hospital Workers' Public Statement

Hospital and Institutional Workers Local 250 was this week handing out on the streets of East Bay Cities a statement "To the People of Alameda County" reviewing the wage dispute with the 8 major hospitals in the county.

The statement declares that workers in these hospitals are getting less than \$200 take-home pay per month, pointing out that "many of you who live modestly spend more money for groceries each month than individual hospital employees in Alameda county earn per month."

The union announces that "in an attempt to be fair and square and give careful and intelligent consideration to all aspects of this matter concerning the interests of hospital patients and the public, we have proposed to submit our wage request to the judgment of a qualified and impartial arbitrator. Whether we like it or not, we will accept whatever an impartial arbitrator deems to be right and proper. In a public service enterprise such as a hospital, we believe that this is a proper and peaceful way, in the public interest, to resolve an issue of this kind."

Mayor Henning Or Mayor Shelley, Eh?

Conflicting reports as to whether or not Congressman John F. Shelley intends to run for Mayor of San Francisco were published this week.

The Examiner said Shelley was considering making the run, the Chronicle said he had stated flatly he had not reconsidered his stand of some months ago that he positively would not run.

John F. Henning, research director for the State Federation of Labor, was quoted as saying when asked if he still thought of making the run:

"I believe the decision will be reached this week when a committee meets to establish whether it is possible to have a bipartisan base for a city campaign."

MCCARTHYISM took another beating this week when Attorney General Brownell announced that the Government would give up its two and a half to such an extent the British year effort to try Owen Lattimore, John Hopkins professor, methods of conducting industrial relations. R. A. Butler, has been repeatedly thrown out

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